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MA INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION (MAIC)
WELCOME WEEK TIMETABLE SEPTEMBER 2026

This timetable uses a colour key to highlight which departmental events are mandatory to attend, and which events are recommended. This key code can be found in the right hand corner of each timetable page.

(Please note this is a live document and may be subject to change.)

IMPORTANT EXTRAS

The School Information Fair is running from 10am-4pm on Monday 21st September and Tuesday 22nd September. It is located in the north and south foyers of the Samuel Alexander Building, so you can't miss it whichever way you enter the building.

We will have staff from various teams on hand to provide information about their areas, including Careers, Placements, IT, LEAP and UCAE. Come and say hello and get your questions answered!

SALC | ESSENTIALS

SALC Essentials are online courses covering Health & Safety and Academic Malpractice.
These mandatory courses form part of your induction. You need to ensure you complete these courses before Friday 31st October. You can find these courses in Canvas.
Please note that you can only access these courses once you have activated your IT account and completed registration.

COURSE UNIT SELECTION | DROP-IN SESSIONS



Course Unit Selection 'Drop-ins' will be held Monday to Friday - 10am-4pm - from 21st September to 9th October at the Student Hub (next to the Lime Café on the lower ground floor of the Samuel Alexander Building). If you have any questions about course unit selection, drop-in and talk to the team. For more information on course unit selection, please click on the link below:
https://www.alc.manchester.ac.uk/student-intranet/study/your-programme/course-unit-selection/

USEFUL LINKS

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Mandatory Sessions

Optional Sessions

Welcome Week: 21-25 September

TIME	MONDAY 21 SEPTEMBER	TUESDAY 22 SEPTEMBER	WEDNESDAY 23 SEPTEMBER	THURSDAY 24 SEPTEMBER	FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER
09:00					
10:00	**Staff Introduction videos** Meet the core teaching staff on the MA in Intercultural Communication Studies. Videos will be available in Canvas from Monday 21 September to watch at any time.			**Transitions and Expectations: Studying for an MA** **10am - 11am** **Sam Alex SLG.12** This session helps you to meet the challenges of MA study by discussing some of the key differences between BA and MA level, and some of the specific features of the UK's academic environment.	
11:00	**Course unit introduction videos** These short videos tell you about each course unit: what topics we'll cover and what materials, activities and assignments we'll work on. Videos will be available in Canvas from Monday 21 September to watch at any time.		**Welcome to the MA in Intercultural Communication (MAIC)** **11am - 12pm** **Simon_TH C** We introduce the programme and answer your questions about optional course choices and other academic matters.		
12:00				**Group academic advising (1 Hour slots)** **12pm - 3pm** Students will be allocated to one group advising session during which they will be introduced to their academic advisor, find out what the role of the advisor is and how to contact their advisor over the course of the semester. The session will also be an opportunity for students to meet fellow students from the programme and ask questions in advance of the start of teaching. **Students will be emailed with the details of their time, advisor and location.**	
13:00			**Academic Skills: Close reading activity** **1pm - 2pm** **Simon_TH D** This session is designed to support students in developing effective reading habits at the start of MA level study. Students will receive further guidance on what to do in advance of this session by email at the start of welcome week. More details will also be available in Canvas.		**Meet the SALC Graduates** **1pm - 2pm** **ONLINE** Tune in to have the chance to hear from SALC graduates about their own Welcome Week experiences and how these first few days of university helped them to prepare for their own careers. Join Zoom Meeting: Meeting ID: 391 813 174 902 890 Passcode: oJ7nn3Lq
14:00					**PGT International Welcome Event (International students only)** **2pm-4pm** **Christie's Bistro** Come and join us for afternoon tea and an opportunity to hear from some of the key services available to support you during your time at Manchester!
15:00					
16:00			**Welcome reception for MATIS & MAIC** **4pm - 5pm** **Lime Café** An opportunity for students and staff to meet each other in a relaxed and informal environment. Light refreshments provided.		
17:00					
18:00				**PGT Welcome Reception** **5:30pm - 7pm** **Whitworth Hall** Join us in the Whitworth Hall for a wine reception and nibbles (soft drinks also available)	